

## **Amendments to the Claims**

Please replace the claim listing with the following:

### **Listing of the Claims**

Claims 1-13 (canceled).

Claim 14 (currently amended): An internal combustion engine that includes an injection system configured as a high-pressure accumulator system, the internal combustion engine comprising:

at least one high-pressure pump;  
a tubular high-pressure accumulator having a plurality of connection fittings;  
a high-pressure supply line connecting the at least one high-pressure pump to the tubular high-pressure accumulator; and

a plurality of high-pressure connection lines each connected to one of the connection fittings and configured to provide a valve-controlled flow connection to a respective one of a plurality of injection valves of a cylinder row of the internal combustion engine,

wherein each of the plurality of connection fittings is disposed laterally offset relative to the corresponding injection valve, and wherein an absolute magnitude of the offset is the same for each of the injection valves;

~~The internal combustion engine as recited in claim 11,~~ wherein the plurality of high-pressure connection lines have two different shapes, and each high-pressure connection line has one of the two different shapes.

Claims 15-23 (canceled).